

Agency 57 - Nebraska Oil & Gas Commission

Statutory Authority:

Statutory Authority: 57-104
Statutory Authority: 57-601 through 57-609
Statutory Authority: 57-901 through 57-922

Vision Statement:

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Goals:

By the end of 1998, the Commission plans to abandon its present production system; Wang VS5300. All production information has been transferred into RBDMS, a program developed through a Department of Energy grant. All oil and gas well data will be entered into RBDMS. By integrating production data, well data, and UIC (injection/disposal) data into one system, the Commission will be able to provide data to the public easier, and allow public access of all data from one system.

Financial Data:

| | Actual FY98 | Approp FY99 | Request FY00 | Recom FY00 | Request FY01 | Recom FY01 |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| General Fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cash Fund | 301,752 | 361,880 | 367,532 | 373,778 | 338,002 | 361,027 |
| Federal Fund | 88,429 | 101,586 | 92,100 | 92,100 | 92,100 | 92,100 |
| Revolving Fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Fund | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Agency | 390,181 | 463,466 | 459,632 | 465,878 | 430,102 | 453,127 |

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Program 335 - Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

Program Objectives:

1. To promote the development of oil and gas resources within the state in such a manner as will prevent waste and be protective of correlative rights.
2. To insure that all drilling operations are conducted in an acceptable manner with a minimum potential for harm or damage to the environment, both surface and subsurface.
3. To provide that all wells are cased, cemented and/or plugged in a manner which will prevent migration of fluids from their source to other reservoirs or aquifers.

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Performance Measures:

1. Evaluation of the oil and gas conservation program would indicate that the continuing program is effective. The percentage of original oil-in-place that is produced from Nebraska reservoirs is among the highest in the nation even though the majority of Nebraska reservoirs are "undersaturated depletion" types which exhibit low recovery. Secondary recovery has been very successful and new units continue to be established.
2. At this time, no complaints are on file alleging waste, disproportionate drainage or damage resulting from underground trespass due to improper drilling, completion or plugging practices.